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To whom it may concern:

I work in the Software industry as a developer, and I work with Microsoft products every day. Due to the extensive experience I have developed over the years it is my opinion that Microsoft would have to do (at least) the following in order to be considered non-monopolistic:

- 1) Publish all the internal API's and specifications of their products, before or at the time of the release of those products. Anything less than full and complete documentation of these specifications should result in the loss of any income due to the related product.
- 2) Terminate and abstain from any licensing agreements that prevent or discourage computer manufacturers or re-sellers from installing competing products on the systems they sell. Furthermore, all licensing agreements with said computer manufacturers/re-sellers should be made public.

There are many more areas in which I believe Microsoft could and should make their business more competitive, but these two are the most glaring and any settlement that even pretends to look out for the consumer's interests should include them.

Thank You,
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